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SUBJECT: COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS--  
APPLICATION BY THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ABA)

REF: USUN 272

1. AS INDICATED REFTEL, APPLICATION BY THE ABA FOR  
CATEGORY II STATUS WAS DEFICIENT IN TERMS OF THEIR  
NATIONAL STATUS AND THEIR AFFILIATION WITH AN INTER-  
NATIONAL NGO (THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION) AL-  
READY IN CONSULTATIVE STATUS. AT THE NGO COMMITTEE  
MEETING, ABA REP LEO NEVAS ACKNOWLEDGED THESE  
DEFICIENCIES BUT ARGUED FOR EXCEPTIONAL APPROVAL ON THE  
GROUNDS OF ABA SUPPORT OF THE UN AND POSSIBLE CONTRI-  
BUTIONS TO UN ACTIVITIES.

2. DECISION ON APPLICATION WAS TAKEN IN A CLOSED  
MEETING. US DEL SUPPORTED THE APPLICATION, BUT IT BE-  
CAME CLEAR THAT OTHER DELS, BOTH FRIENDLY AND OTHER-  
WISE, HAD SERIOUS RESERVATIONS AND THAT THE APPLICA-  
TION WOULD BE REJECTED IF PUSHED TO A VOTE.  
THE FINAL DECISION WAS TO DEFER CONSIDERATION OF  
THE APPLICATION.

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3. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT NO OTHER COMMITTEE MEM-  
BER WAS PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE ABA APPLICATION.  
THE CUBAN AND SOVIET REPS WERE CLEAR IN THEIR OP-  
POSITION AND EVEN OUR FRIENDS (E.G., UK AND FRANCE)  
HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO RESIST THE APPLICATION.

4. MISOFF HAS INFORMALLY TOLD ABA REP NEVAS OF THIS OUTCOME. NEVAS HAS AGREED TO CONSULT WITH OTHERS IN THE ABA AS TO WHETHER THEY WISH TO PURSUE THE APPLICATION IN THE FACE OF THE VERY LIKELY PROSPECT IT WILL BE REJECTED.

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